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Amazon forest. You didn't see any trees standing, the ground Well, the difference between that and what happens here is that there are 11 persons on each of the football teams. The play is over and you just have 11 players standing but they are all members of one team, and the other 11 players are prostrate on the field. Those who supported the team, all of whose members are prostrate, lose heart themselves, and they say my team has thrown in the towel, my team has quit. And I know some of my Democratic colleagues are sitting here saying, by, God, we're going to show him. When the time comes, we're going to show him. But we want the time to be right, and the time will be right when every bill that's on the plate that's of significance has been enacted into law. When we have one more day on the clock and they will let us talk that day away, by, God, we'll show them that we know how to lose and we know how to be gracious in losing. I wish they would be as gracious when they lose to me on some issues, but they are not, and now everybody is uncomfortable. Everybody is playing like they are not listening. The reason I can tell you're just playing like because ordinarily you would have flown the coop like a bunch of pigeons who had the door opened and you could get your freedom. So having completed that part of my lessen in Practical Politics 101, if I can get the President's attention, I will withdraw this motion. Mr. President, I would like to withdraw this motion at this time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It is withdrawn. The first motion is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please vote if you care to. Record.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, to dispense with Final Reading.

SPEAKER KRISTN MSEN: The at-large reading is suspended. Please present the title.

CLERK: (Read title of LB 773.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 773 pass?